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JP 8-327590 and JP 8-327592 were cited in a Japanese Office Action for counterpart Japanese Application No. 2003-403338 dated June 20, 2006, copy attached.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits English language Abstracts for JP 8-327590 and JP 327592.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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